(a) the period by when commercial production of oil is likely to commence in Barmer-Sanchour basin in the State;

(b) whether Government would get profit from the oil and natural gas explored from this region and by when;

(c) whether Government propose to give a share to the State also; and

(d) if so, the percentage thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHAJ. PATEL): (a) The commercial production of oil is expected to commence by end 2008.

(b) Yes Sir, the Central Government would get profit petroleum calculated in accordance with the provisions of the PSC.

(c) This being a pre-NELP block, no profit petroleum would accrue to the State Government. However, State Government would be entitled to the entire royalty on this production.

(d) In view of (c) above, does not arise.

Development of tourist places in Rajasthan

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DR. PRABHA THAKUR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have formulated any outlines for the development of different tourist areas in Rajasthan;

(b) whether Government are also having a scheme to develop new tourist spots alongwith old tourist spots; and

(c) the details of the districts for which proposals have been received by Central Govenment from the State Government for developing various tourist spots in those districts and the tourist places for which development plan has been prepared by the Central Government alongwith theterget fixed for completion of said schemes?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Identification of places of tourist interest/spots is

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations for tourism related projects which are identified and prioritized in consultation with them every year under the schemes Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits, Product/ Infrastructure & Destination Development and Large Revenue Generating Projects. Project proposals that are complete in all respect are processed on the basis of their *inter-se* priority and funds released, subject to their availability under the respective Head.

Minisry of Tourism had prepared a 20 Year Perspective Tourism Plan for the State of Rajasthan in the year 2003 and sent to the State Government for their perusal and use. It contained the following recommendations:

1. SWOT analysis, tourist forecasts, etc.
2. Suggested strategies for tourism promotion, product development, augmentation of infrastructure and employment potential.
3. Environmental, Management Plan, Investment Plan and sources of funding.
4. Direct and indirect economic benefits from the Plan.
5. Implementation mechanism containing priority projects, institutional mechanism, private participation, marketing strategies for the 20 Years Perspective Plan.

(c) The following tourist spots/areas have been prioritised in consultation with the State Government for grant of Central financial assistance during the year 2006-07:-

Destination	1.	Ajmer Sharif
	2.	Jaisalmer
Circuits	1.	Eco-Tourism Circuit
	2.	Floodlighting of monuments

No project proposal has been received from the State Government so far.